TELL HOW TO RUN THE GOVERNMENT

Each Member of the Cabinet Has a Guardian.

SPECIAL DELIVERY LETTERS

Mr. Edward Atkinson is not the only unofficial statesman in the country. There are lots of other people who think that they than do those who have been commissioned by the people to do that particular work. Mr. Atkinson ought to see the pile of letters received by the President and each member of his cabinet which are placed in a separate file marked "crank." Som of them are both learned and wise, and they are denominated crank because they are inopportune and not warranted by any relation the writer bears to the govern-

A crank is one who aggressively tries to force upon others an opinion contrary to common judgment which has been formed without a knowledge of all the important facts in the case.

Many Letters Show Intelligence.

Many of the "crank" letters received by public officials are well written, showing intelligence, broad reading and lofty theoretic philosophy, but a lack of information as to current affairs and a failure to appreciate that the responsible officials have all the information they would impart, but perhaps also further information which modifies the view and generally changes the aspect of the case.

As a rule, these crank letter writers are not universal cranks. They seldom try to run the whole government, but devote themselves to some particular branch. A coellection of their letters would be a valu-able contribution to American literature. and, doubtless, frequent publication would give to some of the writers a reputation of great political economists and philosophers. To thousands of persons no better in-formed than themselves their essays would appear as the embodiment of wisdom.

It is impossible for a man in the hurly-burly of active public life to be a great philosopher and theorist.

The theoretic statesman and philosopher has the burly-burly of the control of the con

is not the birth of an hour, but is the growth of confined study and solitary meditation. The men who are engaged in the affairs of government have not the time

or this. The President, as well as each member of his cabinet, has some one particular watchful guardian over him, who stands out conspicuous among all the rest of the letter writers. No greater testimony of the penetrating and discriminating mind could be desired than the skill with which each of these sages selects his man.

The State Department Guardian.

For instance, a State Department crank might be expected to remain true to that department through all administrations, but this expectation would be disappointed. Secretary Sherman inspired one writer respondent. When Mr. Sherman went out this man ceased to write, and a man of very different character took up with Mr. Day, and was true to him throughout his term. Then when Mr. Hay came in Mr. Day's adviser modestly withdrew and gave place to another. Mr. Hay's particular pa-tron is a lady. She is satisfied that the career of the new Secretary of State is dependent upon her advice all of which is given by mail. She watches international affairs with great care, and whenever she feels that her advice is necessary she writes. Her letters come several times a week, and so urgent are they that a special delivery stamp is attached to each. Conse-Washington they are posted to him in as hot haste as can be got out of a boy on a bicycle. Sometimes they are delivered to when he is at dinner somewhere

Secretary Long's Mentor.

Secretary Long, who is a scholar and a profound student, has been adopted by a man worthy of his character. Two or three times a week, or as often as events warrant it, he receives a letter from an old man who has evidently been a student of history and the classics during a long life. The peculiarity about these letters is that they are such as a man of even Long's literary taste can read with pleasure, and the writer is so evidently a man of more than ordinary ability and character that the Secretary invariably acknowledges them. They discuss with learning and intelligence public events as they transpire. Hundreds of other letters of advice and suggestion are received by the Secretary, but this is a steady thing the secretary. teady thing. Each other cabinet officer has an habitual

correspondent, who has selected him by the laws of affinity, and the number re-ceived by the President during the course ceived by the Fresident during the course of a month is astounding. The assistance which the government derives from this source can hardly be appreciated by any one except the letter writers or the public

MRS. TERRELL RESIGNS. Retires From Her Position on Board

of School Trustees. Mrs. Mary C. Terrell today tendered her

resignation as a member of the board of trustees of the District public schools, to which position she was appointed by the Commissioners March 1, 1895. Commissioner Ross, who has immediate charge of the public schools, stated that Mrs. Terrell assigned no reason in her letter for resigning the position. The resignation will be accepted, but Mr. Ross stated that her successor, who will probably be a colored woman, has not been determined upon by

INDIANA VOLUNTEERS.

Preparations to Receive Them When

Indiana Republican Club, in cooperation with Indianians regardless of political affiliations, has about completed arrangements for the reception of the 161st Regiment of Indiana Volunteers. Acting First Assistant Postmaster Gen-

eral George M. Allen has been in telegraphic communication with Col. Durbin at Savannah, and it is now known that the regiment will reach Washington at 8 o'clock Menday morning. Chairman Warper Wilhite of the executive committee has engaged the Marine Band to act as an es-

cort for the regiment.

The regiment will visit the pension office, the Capitol, the Congressional Library and thence will march up Pennsylvania avenue to the White House, where the regiment will be reviewed by the President.

After the review the regiment will disband on the White House lot, and the soldier, will visit various points of interest

diers will visit various points of interest until 5 o'clock, when they will leave on a special train on the Chesapeake and Ohio

A committee will leave here early Monday morning to meet the regiment at some point along the route and supply them with souvenir badges. It is desired Indianians as possible may be at the train or later at the Capitol to give the boys of the regiment a rousing welcome.

THE SOLDIER DEAD.

Train of Nine Coaches Bearing Bodies Arrives Today.

A train of nine coaches arrived here today from New York bearing the bodies of soldiers, who died in Cuba and Porto Rico. The train passed through the city at 5:20 this morning, and went on to Rosslyn, dies will be kept until inter ment is made at Arlington next week. These bodies arrived in New York Thurs-

PRESIDENT IN NEW YORK.

He is Taking a Reat and Will Receive No Visitors.

NEW YORK, April 29.-President Mc-Kinley and those of the presidential party who came from Philadelphia yesterday are still at the Hotel Manhattan, this city, and expect to remain there until Monday. The President this morning continued to adhere closely to his rule to receive no callers. He is here for rest, and his numerous callers were so informed by Assistant Secretary

The President had no definite plans for the day. It is probable that he will go for a drive, and will be accompanied by Mrs. McKinley.

At 11:30 this morning President and Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley and Assistant Secretary Cortelyou drove from the hotel to the navy yard tug Nina, accompanied by Commander J. D. J. Kelley, chief of staff of Rear Admiral Philip. They embarked for a pleasure trip on the North river. They will return some time

Secretary of the Interior.

MR. SCHURMAN'S NARROW ESCAPE. Was Sitting Over a Trench When Filipinos Opened Fire.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 29.-Mail advices from Manila received today are full of interesting incidents of the fighting before Malabon, President Schurman of Cornell University, a member of the Philippine ommission, had a narrow escape from leath while with Wheaton's brigade. He was sitting over a trench when a large rebel force opened fire. A stray shot warned him to seek cover, which he did by hurriedly falling into the trench. He lay there more than an hour, while

he Filipinos sent Mauser bullets singing over his head. An occasional bullet would graze the top of the trench and showered he college man with dirt.

The rebels were finally dislodged and President Schurman returned to Manila. were finally dislodged and

MERELY A CASE OF DRUNK. Chameon Intended No Harm to Spain's

Queen Regent. MADRID, April 29.-The man who was arrested in the Comedia Theater last evening with a revolver and dagger on his person, and who was suspected of having designs upon the life of the queen regent, is an army veterinary named Chameon. He says he was intoxicated and had no inten-tion of attacking any one. The authorities attach no importance to the affair.

SENATOR FORAKER'S MOTHER ILL. She is Eighty-Five Years Old, and Her Recovery Doubtful.

BATAVIA, Ohio, April 29.-Mrs. Henry Foraker, the aged mother of Senator J. B. Foraker, and who has for several months been suffering from senile debility, lies dangerously ill at her home in Hillsboro'.

Mrs. Foraker is eighty-five years old. The senator and his brother, James B. Foraker of Cincinnati, are now at her bedside. In view of Mrs. Foraker's advanced age, her recovery is quite improbable

Traction Company Advances Wages PITTSBURG, Pa., April 29.-The United Fraction Company has advanced the wages of 1,200 employes 10 per cent, and, following this, the West End Traction Company today announced an increase of 71/2 per cent to 200 men. Kountz Brothers have given their brickyard employes at Harmarsville an advance of 71/2 per cent.

Marriage in English High Life.

LONDON, April 29.-The Hon. Thomas Walter Brand, eldest son of Viscount Hampden, and Lady Katherine Scott, daughter of the Duke of Buccleuch, were married this afternoon in Westminster Abbey. The archbishop of Canterbury offi-ciated, and the Prince of Wales and a large company of fashionable people were present

Our Stamp Not Recognized.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 29.-The post office to any place in Canada or the United States may be forwarded by the affixing of a 1-cent Canadian postage stamp; or, in other words, a United States postal card may be mailed in Canada as a private card.

China Dismisses Foreign Instructors. PEKIN, April 29.-It is stated on good authority that most of the European drill instructors in the Chinese army have been dismissed. This is taken as confirming the

reported tendency of the dowager empress and the reactionaries to discard as far as L. M. Pitkin Killed by a Train.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 29.-Mr. L. M. Pitkin, president of the Variety Iron Works Company and one of the best-known busi-Company and one of the best-known business men of this city, was struck and instantly killed by the west-bound Lake Shore flyer at Colts, a suburb, today.

No Verdict in the Sommers Case.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 20.-The jury in the case of Charles E. Sommers, ex-sergeant-at-arms of the senate, charged with bribery, after being out a day and a half, failed to reach a verdict. The jury stood eight for conviction and four for acquittal

BONA-FIDE CIRCULATION.

A reference to the statement below will show that the circulation sworn to is a bona-fide one.

It is easily possible for a newspaper with an elastic conscience to swell its legitimate circulation enormously, in order to deceive advertisers, by sending out thousands of papers to newsstands which are returnable, and which are in fact returned, but nevertheless are included in what purports to be an honest statement of circulation.

Intelligent advertisers, however, judge by results, and bogus circulations don't give them.

The family circulation of The Star is many thousands in excess of any other Washington paper.

Circulation of The "Evening	Star."
ATURDAY, April 22, 1899	37,180
ONDAY, April 24, 1899	31,144
UESDAY, April 25, 1899	30,733
EDNESDAY, April 26, 1899	30.782

THURSDAY, April 27, 1899......30,822 FRIDAY, April 28, 1899......41.457

I solemnly swear that the above statement represents only the number of copies of THE EVENING STAR circulated during the six secular days ending Friday, April 28, 1899-that is, the number of copies actually sold, delivered, furnished or mailed, for valuable consideration, to bona fide purchasers or subscribers, and that the copies so counted are not returnable to or remain in the office unsold.

J. WHIT. HERRON Cashler Evening Star Newspaper Co. Subscribed and sworn to before me this twenty-nint 1 day of April, A. D. 1899. GRENVILLE A. WHITAKER,

Notary Public, D. C.

Fifty-Two Lives Lost in the Kirksville, Mo., Tornado.

Financial Loss Heavy - Eleven Dead and Thirty-two Injured at Newtown.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.-The roll of killed and injured at Kirksville, Mo., where half the residence portion was destroyed by a tornado Thursday evening, continues to grow by reason of the finding and identification of additional bodies of the dead and wounded, and the release from their sufferings by death of some of the more badly hurt of the victims. A revised list shows during the day.

Among the callers on the President this morning was Cornelius N. Bliss, former Mrs. Hennon, wife of a rews dealer, who the names of fifty-two dead and 126 injured. died shortly after midnight.

At least a dozen of the injured are so badly hurt that their lives are despaired of. M. R. Elliott is added to the list of missing. Scarcely a household in the devastated district but lost a member by death or suffered injury in some way. In several in-

stances whose families were wiped out. The total financial loss is placed at \$350,-60, falling most heavily on small householders, who lost everything. It is believed that all the dead and in-jured at Newton have been accounted for. The number of dead is placed at eleven and the injured at thirty-two. Of the injured, two children of Wm. Hayes cannot recover.

LANCASTER, Mo., April 29 .- A great many articles af wearing apparel, papers and pieces of jewelry bearing the names of Kirksville persons were found strewn over the eastern part of this county yesterday. They were blown from Kirksville, twentyfive miles, by the tornado. Among other things was a \$100 note.

Wants His Name Changed.

Jacob D. Goldsmith, through Attorney James B. Green, this afternoon petitioned the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia for authority to change his name to Jacob D. Liberty. He gives as a reason the fact that his brother and himself personally resemble each other very closely, and that they are engaged in the same business. Frequently, he says, his patrons place orders with his brother, and bills contracted by the latter have been sent to the petitioner, to his great annoyance.

Granted Under Conditions. Mr. A. S. Pratt, president of the Washington Humane Society, who recently asked that the police patrol wagons be placed at the service of the agents of the society when they have made arrests, has been informed by the Commissioners that the agents will be permitted to call for the wagons when the arrests made by them are at long distances from the station

Response to a Complaint.

houses, and when the arrested party has

no conveyance in which he can be taken to

Complaint was recently made to the District Commissioners by Mr. John A. Bennett of S19 4th street northeast that the Columbia railroad has lowered the roadway in front of property of his known as Bennett's place, on the Benning road, nine feet or more, depriving his tenants of an outlet in front of the premises. Mr. Bennett has been informed by the Commissionthat the railroad company has promised to do everything possible to accommo date his tenants, and that a driveway will be made after the grade has been established by the work in progress on Benning

Establishes His Competency.

A small colored boy who was called in the Police Court this morning as a witness against Charles Duckett, for throwing stones, was questioned as to his competency as a witness.

"I know what it is to tell the truth," he department has decided that United States said, when questioned by Judge Kimball.

"Do you know what is done with boys who tell stories?

"No, sir."
"What becomes of boys when they die if

hey have told stories?"
"They will go to the devil." The boy's testimony was accepted and

Duckett paid a \$5 fine.

The expenses incident to the burial of Robert F. Hayes, who committed suicide Saturday afternoon in the sixth precinct station house, were borne by citizens who voluntarily subscribed for the purpose. The fund was raised through the personal efforts of Mr. William G. Stafford. Rev. officiated at the services over the remains. which took place yesterday. Interment was at Mt. Olivet cemetery.

Prince George's County Fair.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. HYATTSVILLE, Md., April 29, 1899. A meeting of the directors of the Agricultural Fair Association of Prince George's county was held Thursday, at which the sum of \$3,500 was decided upon for race premiums, and the directors decided to add another day to the event. A location was selected for a bridge to the grounds from the tracks of the Chesapeake Beach railroad, and an estimate of its cost will be furnished the railroad company. Committees were appointed and an outline for pre-

iminary work mapped out. The days of the meeting finally settled upon are September 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

Southern Buys Another Road. CHARLESTON, S. C., April 29 .- The deal between the Southern railway and the South Carolina and Georgia for the purchase of the latter railroad has been consummated, and a formal announcement is

expected tomorrow. F. T. Walton in Bankrupt Court. NEW YORK, April 29.-Francis T. Walton of International race track fame was today before Royal S. Crane in this city

today for examination in bankruptcy proceedings. Walton's debts are said to be \$160,000, while his assets are less than \$200. Gen. Wheeler Off to Detroit.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 29.-General Joseph Wheeler left this morning with his daughter, Miss Annie, for Detroit, where he will attend a meeting of the Sons of the American Revolution. At the Union station he met Secretary of War Russell A. Alger, who passed through Pittsburg in a special car on his way to Detroit, with a party of officers.

Representative McCall III.

Representative McCall of Massachusetts is quite ill at his home, 1703 P street, in this city. Mr. McCall was taken ill last February and has been in quite a precarious condition at times since then.

Should Be Abandoned Everywhere. From the Baltimore American.

New York now has a law dispensing with the kissing of Bibles in courts of justice. The kissing threatened the spread of disease, and had come to be regarded as too much of a mere form to add to the impressiveness of an oath. In these enlightened days, when germs and bacteria are common acquaintances, it is time for forms in which there is a question of health to be examined, and to go if they contain eleexamined, and to go if they contain ele-ments of danger, no matter how venerable ments of danger, no matter how venerable and moss-covered they may have grown by custom. Here the practice was abandoned

Independent Vote Increasing. From the Richmond Times.

We believe that the independent voter is getting to be more and more a factor in all elections—national, state and local. Amerelections—national, state and local. Americans are a thinking people, a conscientious people, and every year the list of those who follow their own convictions regardless of party dictim grows larger. But this is peculiarly true of municipalities. City residents have learned that a municipal corporation is largely a business affair, and that the voters are as so many stockholders.

DEATH LIST GROWS SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY. Completion of the Report of the Beet

Court of Inquiry. The report and recommendations of the beef court of inquiry were not completed and signed with late this afternoon. Major General Wade, president of the court, then sent the findings to the Secretary of War, accompanied by a brief letter of trans-

mittal. Recorder Davis is authority for the statement that the report will not be given out

for many days. The document contains about 25,000 words

apart from the record of the evidence, which fills 4,500 fellos.

There is no reason at this time to modify or restate the reliable forecast given in The Star several days are:

Star several days ago.

In a general way it may be reaffirmed that the findings are adverse to the allega-tions by the major general commanding, and that certain army officers did not perform their whole duty.

Court-martial proceedings may follow
the President's approval of the court's

ecommendations. The acting secretary immediately sealed and addressed the report and findings to the President and sent them to the White House.

CASE NOT SUSTAINED.

Charge of Cruelty to Animals Dis-

missed by Court. Agent Rabbitt of the Humane Society reported Robert L. Franklin in the Police Court today for alleged failure to properly provide for twenty mules and one horse. Mr. Franklin is freight agent of the P., W. and B. railroad at Virginia avenue and 9th street southwest, and it was alleged that the animals in question were kept in the freight yard for a period of forty hours without food and water. Attorneys Mc-Kenny and Flannery appeared for the de defendant.

Prosecuting Attorney Pugh called Judge Kimball's attention to the case and intro-duced proof to show that the animals had been in a car for the perior stated without sustenance. Robert Raub, who came here with the animals from Macon, Ga., for Mr. F. W. Hunter, owner of the animals, testified to having requested that the car be sidetracked and that he be permitted to feed the animals, but that his request was refused. Counsel explained that the animals were

kept in the yard a number of hours be-cause of the delay in paying the freight on A demurrer made to the evidence was

overruled, and the defendant made a statement in his own behalf. He said Mr. Raub had never seen him and had not made a request about feeding and watering the mules. Mr. Bowie, his chief clerk, he said, would act in his absence. Mr. Bowie was called to the witness stand and he denied that the witness blank and he denied that the witness, Raub, had called on him yesterday and said anything about the Judge Kimbali, in disposing of the case

said that, if the prosecution was against the railroad and the testimony showed that the railroad and the testimony showed that notice had been brought home to any of the employes, he should have held the company guilty. As the proof showed Mr. Franklin had no knowledge of the presence of the stock in the yard, and was necessarily ignorant of their treatment, he would have to dismiss the case

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS. Order Issued to Treasury Department Clerks.

Secretary Gage has issued the following order to employes regarding the use of inks and typewriter ribbons in the Treasury Department:

"It has come to the notice of this office that treasury clerks and employes are in the habit of using on the official records various kinds of inks, typewriter ribbons, etc., other than those supplied by the department. Such practice is in violation of existing regulations. There is no assurance that these irregularly secured inks, ribbons, etc., are indelible or indestructible

department is of the first importance, and close departmental supervision and control of the materials to be used are absolutely necessary in order to prevent the use of objectionable and inferior articles.
"It is, therefore, hereby ordered that hereafter no ink, typewriter ribbon paper or other article of stationery shall be

"The permanency of the records of the

used officially by any officer, clerk or em-ploye of any branch of the treasury service, except such as are furnished or authorized by the department,
"Officers of the department will in no case accept for official purposes bonds, vouchers or other documents on which money is to be paid, or other important ac-

tion taken, if prepared and signed with ink as the aniline colors-blue, purple, violet red, etc.—are usually fugitive and destructi-ble, and should not be accepted. The various reproducing inventions known by the trade names of 'Hektograph,' 'Copy raph, 'Chromograph,' 'Papyrograph Mimeograph,' 'Cyclostyle,' 'Neostyle,' etc

will in no case be used for official letters or documents of a permanent nature.
"Copying ink should not be used on book records, as it is liable to transfer and besmear the paper, especially in damp and sultry weather."

Army Orders. Capt. N. P. Batchelder, assistant quartermaster, U. S. V., recently appointed, has een ordered to duty in the office of the

depot quartermaster at San Francisco. Acting Assistant Surgeon I. B. Lord, now n Manila, has been ordered to San Fran cisco. Cal., for annulment of his contract. Acting Assistant Surgeon Frank Roberts has been ordered from this city to Marshall.

Maj. E. V. Andruss, 4th Artillery, has been relieved from mustering duty at vannah, Ga., and ordered to report to ommanding general, department of the ast, for assignment to a station.

The order for the discharge of Maj. Frederick A. Smith, commissary of subsistence, U. S. V., has been amended to take effect

Knew Time Would Vindicate Him. Acting Secretary Meiklejohn of the War Department has received a letter from

John H. Stotsenburg, father of Colonel Stotsenburg, killed at the head of the 1st Nebraska Regiment, in the Philippines, in which he acknowledges the letter of condolence sent by Mr. Meiklejohn. He refers to the action of the Nebraska legislature and governor in asking the removal of Colonel Stotsenburg, and said he had not allowed it to distress him because he knew that time would vindicate the colonel

Duty on Automobiles.

In answer to an inquiry made by the French government, the Secretary of the Treasury has almotheed that horseless carriages or automobiles, or parts thereof, imported into the United States, will be subported into the United States, will be subject to duty at the rate of 45 per cent ad valorem, "as articles or wares composed wholly or in part Jof metal, under paragraph 193 of the act, of July 24, 1897."

Letal Pensions.

The following residents of the District of Columbia received pensions today: Henry band, but informing him that they have no funds or other facilities for carrying his suggestion into effect. Burrel, increase, \$6 to \$8; Henry P. Abbotte, increase, \$2 to \$6; Mary McB. Williams, \$8; Sarah E. Hilton, \$8. Another Raflway Men's Conference

The interstate commerce commission has issued invitations to the roads to be represented at another railroad conference to be held here on May 10, to consider the rate situation. There are over sixty roads invited to attend, embracing those south of the Ohlo river and east of the Mississippi and such of those west of the Mississippi as are factors in the export traffic via the gulf.

Government Receipts. Government receipts from internal revenue today, \$663,138; customs, \$837,004; mis-cellaneous, \$23,420; expenditures, \$2,971,000.

Conflicting Claims Considered. The Court in General Term today had under consideration the contradictory claims urged by the heirs of a Charles Wilson, formerly a Georgetown miller, and by the heirs of a Charles Wilson, formerly engaged in the lampblack business. The claims are in connection with the Potomac flats case. The matter was not disposed of. MADE CIGARETTE OF TICKET

Prisoner's Novel Use This Morning of an Order for Breakfast.

Regarded Odor of Tobacco as Preferable to Some Other Odors-Offenders in Line.

"Step up lively and pass in your tickets," said Policeman Flynn this morning to the occupants of the Police Court cells. "Here's your coffee and sandwiches," he

added. When the policeman and caterer had served all who had presented tickets and were leaving the room one of the occupants

of the cell for petty offenders called out: "Say, Mr. Flynn, here's a fellow what ain't had no breakfast."

"Why didn't he present his ticket?" the officer asked "I didn't know it was any good," said the holder of it, a colored man, appearing at the iron grating, "and I used it for a ciga-

"That's a pretty expensive cigarette to the District," the policeman told him. "It cost 8 cents. Were you ever here before." "No, indeed, and if I know myself I'll never come again," was his answer. 'As you are a stranger here," the officer said to him, "you may have your allow-

rette wrapper."

"Thank you for your kindness," said the young man, "but I had my breakfast be-fore I came here, and I expect to get another meal when I get out."

The young man told the officer that the odor from the cigarette might possibly kill the other odors in the cell, and, using it for disinfecting purposes, he preferred it to a cup of coffee and a sandwich.

Doesn't Deny the Charge.

A little old colored woman, who has been going about the city carrying a basket or her arm and soliciting aid for a number of years, was in court this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct.

"Guilty," she answered when arraigned Policeman Smith testified that the woman, who gave her name as Charlotte Tyscoe was on 7th street yesterday begging "She used the vilest language that I have heard for a long time," he added. "I've known this old woman for several " Judge Kimball remarked, "and she has been about the streets begging all that

Charlotte incurred a penalty of \$5 fine or fifteen days on the farm. Disguise of No Avail.

"I plead not guilty and request a jury trial," was what George Davis, an old offender, said when arraigned as a vagrant. "Under the law," the judge said, "you are not entitled to a jury trial on this charge." This was the first time he had appeared

in court wearing a full beard. The disguise was a good one, but Judge Kimball recognized him. "Last night," said Policeman Gover, "I saw him stop three pedestrians and ask for

money."
"I didn't stop three people," declared "How many did you stop?" asked the

court.
"None," was his response.
"The trouble with you is that when you want money for whisky you will beg and then pretend you have a bad memory." "I don't drink whisky," said Davis.

"What do you drink?"
"I don't drink anything." Davis," said the court, "you are the est persistent beggar that we have in this "Davis." I have seen you begging on the street

and then heard you come in court and deny He was sent down for sixty days. When the Ball Was Over. Next in line came a young colored man named Henry Hill, who was called upon to answer a charge of disorderly conduct. "He went to a ball last night," said an

officer, "and during the evening he was drinking. When the ball was over he went into a saloon and got in a row because the the stock and bonds. This latter plan is considered by many as impracticable. bartender charged him 10 cents for a drink "I had some words with the bartender." admitted the prisoner, "but I didn't swear."

The court thought otherwise and imposed

One Drink and a Cigar.

A colored man from Georgetown, who gave his name as John Harris, denied that he was drunk and disorderly. "How many drinks had you taken?" the

court asked. "One drink and a cigar," he answered. "Another man who got drunk on one drink," remarked the court. "If one drink will affect you this way you should let it

Five dollars was the amount of penalty

A Periodical Man. Albert Brooks, an elderly man from Oak Grove, near Marlboro', was in the toils as a vagrant because he had been found begging for money with which to buy whisky. He asked a policeman in uniform for 10 cents and said he wanted to buy a drink

with the money. "I'm one of these periodical men," said Brooks, who had only a thin undergarment and an old coat to cover his body. I get in this condition I'm out of my head."

Judge Kimball sent him down for ten

days to get the liquor out of him. In Search of His Father. A colored man named John Brooks came next. His home is in Richmond, and when arrested last night he imagined he was

"I'm looking for my father." he said. "Where does he live?" "On Brooks avenue."

"When did you last see him?" "I ain't seen him since I left Oak Hill in the country."
"Where is Oak Hill?"

"Way up the railroad track."

at Virginia's capital.

miles away.

"Can you walk?" 'I'm a good walker." He was sent to the Long bridge and shown the road leading to his home, many

Lack of Funds Forbids. In a recent letter to Major Sylvester. chief of police, Mr. Walter Parris of 702 17th street, inclosed a clipping from an issue of The Star, in which it was stated that the Commissioners may find it expedient in the near future to require the alleged musicians who grind planes and organs on the stheets to desist entirely or provide themselves with licenses, and stated that he heartly indorses the proposition. To replace the street planos and organs, Mr. Parris suggested the advisability of the organization of a municipal band. Major Sylvester forwarded Mr. Parris'

Ball Playing on Vacant Lots. Mr. E. C. W. Griffith of 1308 New Hamp-

suggestion as to the proposed municipal

shire avenue, who protested against the playing of ball by boys on the vacant lots adjoining his house, has been informed by the District Commissioners that they have instructed the police department to enforce order and to promptly arrest any boy found violating the law. Mr. Griffith stated in his protest that the boys not only were insolent and disorderly, but that they also assaulted members of his household with bricks, dirt and balls.

Contract Ratified.

ings for divorce against Harry S. Milstead. By order of the court the facts in the case

are withheld from publication.

Dr. George O. Glavis entered into between the heirs of the deceased, as heretofore Proceedings for Divorce. Elizabeth Milstead has instituted proceed-

ruled by the court. An exception was noted by the defense.

Judge Love convened court promptly at 10 o'clock, and upon the motion of the com monwealth the Boldin case was at

A jury was secured and sworn, as follows: John Morrison, Charles A. Traught, R. E. McElrehany, Oscar Daniels, J. N. Garrison, George Pettit, Jas. F. Howard, Charles S. Beach, W. V. Shipman, G. F.

TOOM A STANSON

FOUR YEARS IN PRISON.

John Boldin Sentenced for Attempt-

ed Train Wrecking.

to the state penitentiary for a term of four

years. Attorney Flannigen of Alexandria.

representing the prisoner, filed a motion for

a new trial, which was immediately over-

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Marcey, Robert Horseman and Geo. A. Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Carlin made the opening address, and Attorney Flannigan addressed the court in behalf of

the prisoner.

Arthur Niles, conductor of the endangered car, told the story of the trouble with Boldin while the latter was on his car, and said he finally put the prisoner off the car. On cross-examination, the witness admitted that Boldin had paid his fare and that he was unable to secure a seat. Niles further stated that when putting the prisoner of the car he was compelled to draw his pistol on him, as he believed Boldin was about to stone the car. The witness said Boldin was intoxicated at the time.

Ernest Putman said he arrested Boldin near the scene of the obstructions; that the prisoner was drunk when found "peeping" from behind a trolley pole, which, he ad-mitted, could not hide his form from view Boldin went on the stand and made a statement to the jury, passing through a severe cross-examination. After being out about forty minutes the

NEW YORK WILL TAX FRANCHISES.

verdict was rendered as given.

Ford Bill Passed Before the Legislature Adjourned Yesterday. The New York legislature, before its ad-

journment yesterday, passed the Ford

franchise tax bill. The New York Herald this morning says regarding the reception of the news in New York city:

There was rejoicing among private property owners and in the tax department and in the offices of the corporation counsel and controller yesterday over the passage of the Ford public franchise bill, and in the midst of the rejoicing there were questions as to how far-reaching the measure will be. That it will make a great difference in the city's income and reduce to some extent he tax rate in coming years all agree

Thomas L. Feitner, president of the de-partment of taxes and assessments, de-clared it a "grand victory." Controller Coler said it was "the best law ever enwhile members of the corporation counsel's staff were unanimous in calling it a step in the right direction. Figures prepared by President Feitner on the basis of an assessment on the market value of capital and bonds showed that four corporations owning valuable public franchises would pay to the city each year

only \$525,000. These corporations are Manhattan elevated, the Third Avenue ailroad, the Consolidated Gas and Metropolitan Street Railway Company. The franchise tax measure will have no effect on the city's tax income this year. As to just how a public franchise will be determined there is a question. City offi-cials believe that if there is a weakness in the Ford measure it lies in the fact that

this point is not made clear.

President Feitner said that to ascertain

in taxes \$5,500,000, while they are now pay-

he value of a public franchise the followng plan might be adopted: The market value of the stocks and bonds could be used. As the real estate owned by he corporation is purchased either out of he capital or bonds, and is already asse ed as such, this should be deducted from the market value of the stocks and bonds. The amount remaining after the deduction might be taken as the assessable valuation of the franchise.

Another plan was to use the par value of

uture," said President Feitner, "the printhat technical weaknesses will be found, and that some of these corporations may block us in the courts, but nevertheless the legislature has gone on record. I have not looked into the law carefully from a legal point of view.
"If defects should be found they will be

remedied. Governor Roosevelt was anxious to see this measure pass. He has taken an admirable position in regard to this mat-

Arlington-M. E. Dayton, Chicago; F. H. Wilson, New York. Cochran-H. H. Reid, Chicago; A. S. Moore, Denver, Col.; E. Lord, Philadelphia. Metropolitan-C. P. Williams, Cincinnati:

Hotel Arrivals.

J. H. Henry, Philadelphia; W. J. Crosswell, Wilmington, N. C. National-W. H. Green, Chicago; R. L. National—W. H. Green, Chicago; R. L. Kidner, Pittsburg.
Ebbitt—R. Luckey, New York; C. W. Fenton, United States navy; F. M. Wise United States navy; B. Nugent, St. Louis. Raleigh-W. T. Porter, Florida; H. L. Street, Havana, Cuba; G. J. Akers, Chiago; F. D. Leslie, Cleveland

Regent-W. H. Doyle, Philadelphia; T. C. Ryder, Waterbury, Conn.
Riggs-T. E. Parker, Lowell, Mass.; J.
Preston, New Orleans; W. E. Thomas, Shoreham-Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont New York: Wm. Lamb, Norfosk, Va.; D. Wolf, Philadelphia; G. W. Gregery, Boston. St. James—J. White, St. Paul; W. S. Con-

ha, Neb.; W. H. Buckley, St. Louis.
Wellington—J. H. Hill, Canton, Ohio; G. A. Robbins, Selma, Ala.
Willard-M. T. Cutter, Akron, Ohio; S.
M. Wilson, Cleveland; J. F. Finney, Phila-

Fined for Trespass.

delphia.

George W. Ryder was convicted in the Police Court yesterday on a charge of malicious trespass and a fine of \$10 was imposed. Mr. Ryder is a riding master, and it was alleged that he rode over the lawns in Cleveland Park.

Grain, Provisions and Cotton Markets. Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., bankers and brokers, 1419 F st., members New York stock exchange, correspondents Messrs. La-denburg, Thalmann & Co., New York.

Chicago, April 29.	Grain;			
Wheat—May. July. Corn—May. July. Oats—May. July.	26%	High. 71% 73% 34% 35% 26% 24%	Low. 71% 72% 33% 34% 26% 23%	719 734 344 354 264 244
CHICAGO, April 29.—	Provisio	me:		
Pork—May. July Lard—May July Ribs—May July NEW YORK, April 29	9.10 5.12 5.30 4.65 4.82	High. 8.95 9.17 5.15 5.32 4.67 4.85	Low. 8.90 9.10 5.12 5.27 4.62 4.82	Close. 8.93 9.13 5.13 5.33 4.63 4.83
Tout, April 29				See Co.
May August September October	5.79 5.92 5.88 5.90	High. 5.82 5.94 5.88 5.92	Low. 5.79 5.90 5.86 5.89	5.83 5.93 5.87 5.90
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Baltimore Markets.

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BALTIMORE, April 29.—Flour firm, unchanged; receipts, 7.082 barrels; exports, 39 barrels; sales, 500 barrels. Wheat finuer; spot and the month, 76%, asked; steamer No. 2 red, 71%, 47%; receipts, 11,214 bushels; exports, none; stock, 239,778 bushels; sales, 10,000 bushels; southern by sample, 71a, 77%; do, on grade, 72a,77. Corn firm; spot, 38%, 35%; June, 38%, a39; steamer mixed, 37a,37%; receipts, 106,629 bushels; exports, 60,901 bushels; stock, 624,965 bushels; sales, 34,000 bushels; southern white corn, 41a,411%; do, yellow, 40 asked. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 35a,33%; No. 2 mixed, 32%, 33; receipts, 10,422 bushels; exports, none; stock, 149,964 bushels. Rye steady; No. 2 market, 90,611; No. 2 western, 65; receipts, 6,741 bushels; exports, none; stock, 137,370 bushels. Hay firm; choice timothy, \$12,50 asked. Grain freights steady; steam to Liverpool, per bushel, 2d., May; Cork for orders, per quarter, 2s, 7%,d.a.2s, 9d. Sugar strong, unchanged. Butter quiet, unchanged. Eggs quiet, unchanged. Justice Cox, in Equity Court No. 1, today ratified the contract and agreement of compromise affecting the estate of the late

Government Bonds. 2 per cents, registered. 1908-1928. 3 per cents, registered. 1908-1928. 4 per cents, registered. 1907-1908-1928. 4 per cents, registered. 1907-2 per cents, coupon, 1907-2 per cents, coupon, 1905-2 per cents, coupon, 1925-3 per cents, registered. 1904-3 per cents, coupon, 1908-1928.

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FINANCE AND TRADE

FORT MYER HEIGHTS, Va., April 28, 1899. Sharp Demand for Bonds in New On his twenty-ninth birthday John Boldin was convicted this afternoon of ob-York Today.

structing the track of the Arlington and Falls Church Railway Company, with the purpose of wrecking a car, and sentenced

Belief That the Public Will Want

GENERAL MARKET REPORT

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

The feature of the day, however, was the strength of the bond market, a very good demand being in evidence throughout the day. The buying in this department is particularly encouraging, because foreshadowing a revival of public interest, Should the inquiry extend to the stock list, as it usually does, the advance in the gen-

Whatever arose as an adverse argument was received calmly and no hasty action followed. A few disappointing railroad re-

ment The iron and steel issues have been irregular, but the efforts at depression have not embarrassed the interests which propose making them a feature of the next active market. The municipal railroads under the influence of municipal political boards have

The bank statement was again favorable inasmuch as \$1,348,775 was added to the surplus reserve holdings and the loans reduced by \$585,300. A gain of something over a million dollars in lawful money, all in legals, and a decrease of \$894,300 in de-posits were the other changes of interest. The tight money idea will have small

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. New York Stock Market.

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Stocks Again.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Opening prices this morning were generally steady, but the business was confined mainly to the room. The mining speculation had fallen off in London, and more attention was consequently paid to railway issues. Several of the more prominent shares in the American department recorded fractional gains and some buying of them was apparent in the

eral market may be resumed at an early

The movement in stocks during the week, with the exception of Anaconda mining and the specialties, has been inconsequen tial so far 2s not results are concerned. Advances and declines have succeeded each other in rapid succession, but always with-in the narrow limits of a trader's move-ment. The volume of commission house business has been relatively small and prompted by special rather than by general arguments. Profits have been taken on speculative accounts, but the liquidation of important holdings has not begun.

turns were not allowed to demoralize a market in which the tide was running for the most part against a frequent duplica tion of unfavorable results. The winter wheat crop has not been damaged beyond the possibility of recoupment through other available means, and the Granger roads have consequently done very well under criticisms of the trading ele-

had occasional shocks, but were they le vulnerable on merit such attacks might be

portunity for enduring once the Spanish in-demnity of \$20,000,000 is paid.

A.S. Wire 68%
Am. Steel and Wire pfd 98%
American Sugar 170
American Tobacco 220%
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Ont. & Western Ont. & Western 27 Brooklyn Rapid Transit. 185 Canada Southern 57% Central Pacine 51% Brooklyn Rapid Transit.
Canada Southern
Central Pacine
Chesapeake & Ohio.
C., C. & St. Louis
Chicago, B & Q.
Cnicago&Northwestern C. M. & St. Paul Chicago, R. I. & Pacine. Chicago, R. I. & Pacine. Chicago, R. I. & Pacine. Consolidated Gas. Del. Lack & W. Delaware & Hudson... Den. & Rio Grande, ptd.

Federal Steel

Manhattan Elevated Missouri Pacific M. K. & T., pfd.

Southern Pacific... Southern Railway... Southern Ry.. pfu... exas Pacific. enn. Coal & Iron. mon Pacific.

28% 92% 64% 84% 28 % 92 64 % 84 % 2834 925 Washington Stock Exchange.

STOCK MARKIT QUIET, BUT STEADY